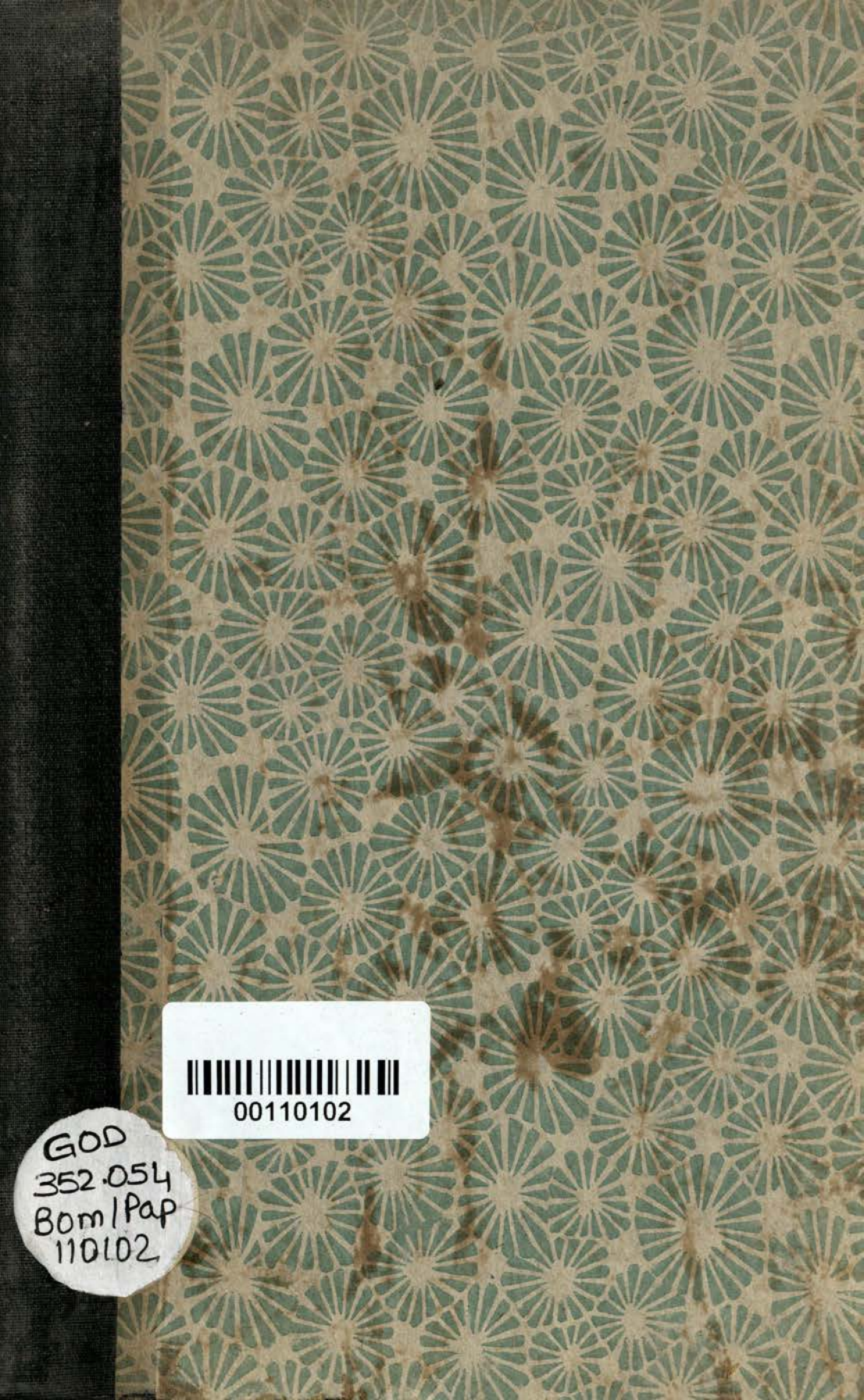
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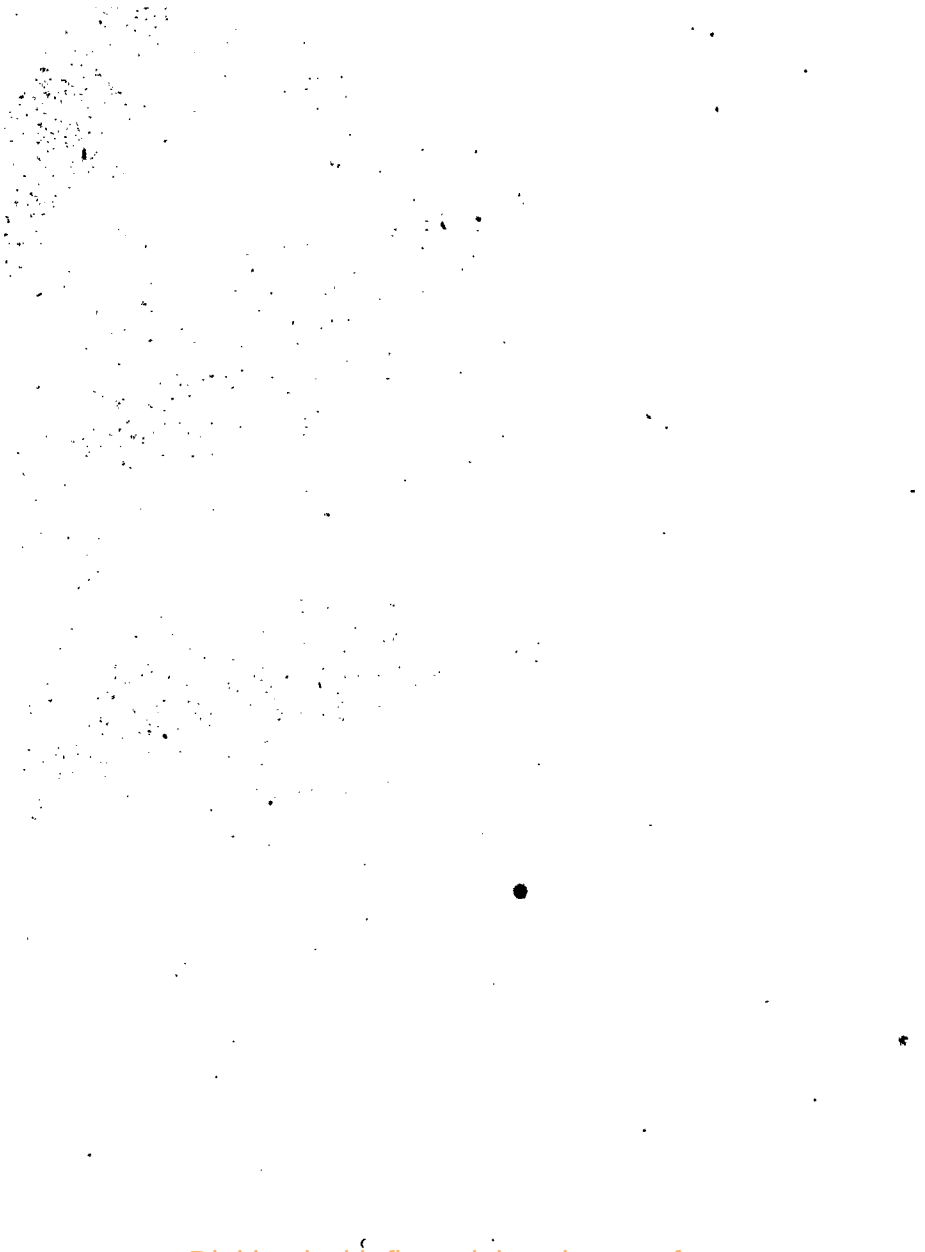

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PAPERS

RELATING TO THE INTRODUCTION OF SETTLEMENT RATES

INTO

FIFTY-THREE VILLAGES

OF THE

KUKKUR TALOOKA

OF THE

SHIKARPOOR COLLECTORATE,

IN THE

PROVINCE OF SIND.

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From the Acting Settlement Officer,

Right Bank Districts,

To the Collector of Shikarpoor.

Settlement Office, Kotree, 11th October 1867.

Sir,—I have the honour herewith to forward a statement of the results of the Settlement rates introduced into 53 villages of the Kukkur Talooka.

2. I anticipated considerable difficulty in effecting a satisfactory settlement of these villages, owing to their having been visited by frequent floods, from breaches in the Narra and from the river, during the past ten years.

3. As will be seen from the results in the accompanying statement (**A**), the people of 46 villages took up their land with great readiness; 7 villages, lying on the western bank of the Narra, entered into a combination to refuse the Settlement rates, hoping thereby to force Government to permit a continuance of the former system, namely, yearly measurements, by which the cultivator paid only for such an area as he brought under the plough.

4. The cultivators in these seven villages refused to take up a single acre of their land, and up to the date on which, having completed the Jummabundy of the other villages, I left Kukkur, they persevered in their refusal.

5. Hearing indirectly that they were feeling uneasy lest their obstinacy should produce results very contrary to their expectations, I left the papers necessary to carry out the Jummabundy of these

seven villages with Mr. H. G. Watson, Deputy Collector of Mehur, who had assisted me greatly in the Jummabundy of the other villages, and who was well acquainted with the system to be introduced.

6. After the lapse of some time the zemindars came forward and took up a portion of their land, details of which will be shown separately.

7. At the time of Jummabundy the cultivators complained of the loss they would sustain were they compelled to take up the numbers which were then lying under water, having been flooded from the breaches made in the Narra during the preceding inundation season; they also represented that if they refused to take these numbers they would, by the terms of the proclamation issued last February, lose all right and title to them.

8. The case appearing to me to be one worthy of consideration, I made it known that, subject to the confirmation of the Commissioner in Sind, all numbers submerged at the time of Jummabundy need not be taken up by the owners until they were free from water and in a culturable state; and consequently I have had a separate column in the statement accompanying this Report for numbers of this description. I trust that the Commissioner will sanction the measures taken by me, as the cultivators have suffered very greatly from the effects of these floods for many years past, and appear to me to have a claim on the indulgence of Government in this matter.

9. Some of the numbers thus submerged have been taken up by the owners, in the hope of making a profit from the fish and lotus roots which are to be found in them. No opposition was made to their so doing, as the numbers being assessed under the Settlement, and the presence of the water in such quantity being an accident not likely to happen again, I considered that the owners were entitled to the benefit, if there were any.

10. The Jummabundy of 46 villages out of 53 were completed by me, the results of which are subjoined:—

Area brought under Settlement, not including waste.		Jumma fixed by Settlement.		
Acres	G.	Rs.	a.	p.
25,183	20	39,835	3	0

From this the following items must be deducted :—

	Acres	G.	Rs.	a.	p.
Owners absent at the time of Jummabundy	745	25	1,195	2	0
Submerged at time of Jummabundy	729	10	1,236	8	0
	1,474	35	2,432	4	0

	Acres	G.	Rs.	a.	p.
Leaving a balance of..	23,708	25	*37,402	15	0
Of which were thrown up.....	1,314	5	1,598	4	0
Amount taken up.....	22,394	20	35,804	11	0

11. In addition to the above area, which is land cultivated within the last five years, there are 1,780 acres 35 goontas of land which had formerly been cultivated, but not within the last five years. This area was assessed at Rs. 1,451-15-0, and 1,309 acres 10 goontas, assessed at Rs. 969-13-0, were taken up, thus making a total area of 23,633 acres 10 goontas and an assessment of Rs. 36,629-13-0.

12. These results were beyond my expectations, as I was well aware of the state of the district, and I had been informed that the people felt averse to any change from the old system, which, as it rendered them liable to assessment only on the actual area brought under cultivation, relieved them from the responsibility of their entire holdings.

13. The Jummabundy of the seven villages on the western bank of the Narra was not so satisfactory. The large area of their

* Being 05·7 per cent. of the whole

land under water, 2,027 acres 5 goontas out of 7,422 acres, very probably discouraged them, but when they had made up their minds to follow the example of their neighbours it is strange that they should have left so much land to its fate.

14. The area of these villages brought under the Settlement is 7,422 acres, the assessment on which is Rs. 11,381-8-0. After deducting 2,442 acres 15 goontas and Rs. 4,734-12-0 on account of land which was submerged and of which the owners were absent at the time of Jummabundy, we find that the area taken up by the cultivators is only 2,163 acres 8 goontas and Rs. 2,084-12-0, or only 61·5 per cent.

15. The cultivators of Bhungur, Guchul, and Wah Sobdar have thrown up nearly the whole of their land, and I attribute this course on their part to the influence of Mahomed Khan Bhooira, the zemindar of Deh Bhungur, who took a prominent part in the combination at the Jummabundy I carried out before leaving the districts.

16. As stated in paragraph 13, it is difficult to assign a reason for such conduct on their part. It certainly is not from the fact that they were over-assessed, as a glance at the area under cultivation in past years and that assessed by the Settlement shows a considerable increase in the latter, so as to bring the rate per acre much lower than that they usually paid; any uncertainty in their water supply was thereby fully compensated.

17. The villages of Pejaho, Bahadurpoor, Chowbar, and Bego Dero have, on the other hand, taken up every acre which was not under water or of which the owners were not absent, thus rendering the conduct of the other villages still more remarkable, as the risks attendant on cultivation in the latter are not so great as those in the former.

18. The total area taken up in the 53 villages which were brought under the Settlement is 25,743 acres 38 goontas and Rs. 40,720-9-0, and that thrown up is 4,125 acres 15 goontas and Rs. 4,153-13-0.

19. A statement, marked **A**, is appended to this Report, showing in detail those numbers which have hitherto been held under lease, and which are assessed by the Settlement at a higher rate than that which they are obliged to pay according to the terms of the lease. The difference is Rs. 24-5-6 on seven numbers. Until the expiry of the lease the holders will continue to pay at the lower rates.

20. The names of zemindars holding grants of "Seree," with the extent of their grants, and the Survey numbers in which they are situated, are given in Statement **B**: as none of the Seree grants correspond exactly in area with any Survey number held by the grantees, the assessment of the number from which they wish the Seree to be deducted will be diminished by that amount so long as that number is held by the said grantee.

21. In the villages of Guchul and Chowbar the zemindars to whom the Seree was granted have not taken up any of their land. In the case of Guchul I would recommend that the Seree be resumed by Government, as this zemindar is one of those who have combined together to throw up their land *in toto*; but the land of the Chowbar zemindar is under water, and I think it only fair that if he takes up his land during the ensuing cold weather he should be allowed his Seree.

22. There are only $80\frac{3}{4}$ acres of Seree grants in these 53 villages.

23. I wish to point out the services rendered by the zemindars of the three villages mentioned below, in persuading the rest, when they were in a state of indecision to take up their land; had they not, both by example and precept, induced confidence in Government, I feel certain that the intrigues set on foot by the zemindars of Bhungur, Bahadurpoor, and the other villages before alluded to by me, would have gone far to defeat the successful introduction of the Settlement. I therefore beg to recommend that the good conduct of these zemindars may be rewarded by a grant of Seree, as specified opposite their names :—

Name of Village.	Name of Zemindar.	Amount of Seree already granted.	Amount now proposed.
Ludda Gadai	Wudhia, son of Sobdar Gadhaee.	None.	5 acres.
Kheenro	Allahdad, son of Hyatkhan Purrio.	1 acre 20 goontas.	5 acres.
Khat Kolachee	Mahomed Alli, son of Mirza Kolachee.	None.	5 acres.

24. By this recognition of their services in forwarding the introduction of the Settlement an excellent effect will be produced, and the feeling of distrust and dislike which I have found to exist very generally against this department will disappear, when it is found that Government is disposed to reward those who assist it.

25. In the village of Kukkur a Survey number (127) of 1 acre 15 goontas is held by a fakeer named Nango Shah, son of Beero Shah, who has planted a few trees, some for shade and others for their fruit, and which he irrigates by means of water drawn from the Narra with earthen pots. He has put up a rough shed, under the shade of a large peepul tree, which is kept swept and sprinkled, so as to form a cool shelter for passengers who cross at the ferry close to this number. The fruit, I learn from the Mooktyarkar of Kukkur, is free to any one who chooses to pluck it.

26. In a climate like Sind it is very desirable that every encouragement be given to men who are willing to spend their time in pursuits which are so beneficial to the public, and are also harmless in themselves.

27. As, therefore, this fakeer has a good character, I would recommend that the assessment on this number, amounting to Rs. 2-8-0, be remitted during the life of the present owner, on condition of his continuing to maintain the garden for the use of the public, and that he does not allow it to become a refuge for the idle and dissolute.

28. The village maps and registers of these 53 villages, three copies of each, have been made over to your department.

29. In each register is included a statement of all numbers on which Government water rate is to be levied. The column for the entry of the amount is left blank, but when you determine the rate at which water rate is to be levied it will be easy to fill it in.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. R. WALLACE, Major,

Acting Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT showing the result of the Settlement Rates when introduced

No.	Tuppa.	Village.	Last year's Collection.		Area and Assessment brought under the Settlement.		Details of Cultivation			
							Taken up at Jummabundy.		Thrown up at Jummabundy.	
			Acres.	Rs.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.
1	Khanpoor.	Kukkur	384	1,090	827 35	1,144 0	765 10	1,051 11	41 20	64 12
2		Kubber Nangur	882	1,870	891 35	1,749 10	876 15	1,720 10	..	....
3		Khanpoor	242	572	570 15	876 8	517 30	813 8	51 5	59 12
4		Khatnee	580	1,400	1,181 35	1,738 0	1,082 15	1,613 5	61 15	76 0
5		Khurriro Kunoro Lohree	225	601	746 10	577 14	705 15	545 1	13 15	5 10
6		Cholaree	71	165	193 15	259 5	181 30	247 5	11 25	12 0
7		Chubree Meva Gaha	206	449	373 30	640 0	373 30	640 0	..	....
8		Chubree Katia	284	652	392 15	530 8	388 0	521 4	4 15	9 4
9		Door Mahomed	192	540	450 5	615 12	316 10	425 12	127 35	184 12
10		Loolja	106	350	448 15	471 0	393 25	428 6	11 10	9 12
11		Khat Lushker Khan	112	245	273 20	422 4	219 10	366 4	35 5	37 0
12		Kheenro	356	1,048	767 20	1,138 15	661 30	1,015 6	101 20	114 3
13		Chubree Meerkhan Naick	467	1,160	507 35	833 12	507 35	833 12	..	....
14		Jugshee	185	551	385 25	544 4	352 25	516 10	30 35	25 8
15		Kullo	58	156	186 0	200 7	140 30	165 9	43 10	34 5
16		Drib Talan	197	504	333 15	493 0	264 35	398 8	48 20	61 8
17		Jukhro	286	698	419 0	660 2	370 25	620 6	41 15	36 8
18		Guddeyr	531	1,159	886 25	1,318 12	690 25	1,067 14	56 5	59 8
		Total	5,364	13,210	9,835 30	14,214 1	8,808 35	12,991 3	679 10	790 6
19	Patre.	Patre	142	428	300 10	483 10	300 10	483 10	..	....
20		Wahore	326	911	392 10	805 12	392 10	805 12	..	....
21		Kally	100	274	129 0	180 4	129 0	180 4	..	....
22		Vee	58	160	226 5	230 14	206 15	218 10	9 15	4 8
23		Doobee	153	429	278 0	324 2	278 0	324 2	..	....
24		Joong	580	1,268	852 35	1,391 4	837 20	1,372 12	15 15	18 8
25		Jampoor	30	69	35 5	81 8	35 5	81 8	..	....
26		Beytkhan	252	643	143 30	251 8	143 30	251 8	..	....
27		Samoee	497	1,405	704 20	1,547 12	700 5	1,539 8	4 15	8 4
28		Drib Wah	161	429	297 10	480 0	297 10	480 0	..	....
		Total	2,299	6,016	3,359 5	5,776 10	3,319 25	5,737 10	29 5	3 14

A.—*continued.*

into the 46 Villages of the Kukkur Talooka mentioned below.

assessed by Settlement.							Waste Numbers.					
Carried away by River or submerged.		Owners absent.		Seree Grants.		Difference between Assessment of Survey Nos. fixed by Settlement, and that modified by the terms of the Leases.	Measured and assessed by Settlement.		Taken up at Jummabundy.		Total Area and Assessment taken up at Jummabundy.	
A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	Rs. a	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.
..	..	19 25	22 0	1 20	3 4	2 5	29 10	34 14	7 20	8 8	772 30	1,060 3
..	..	15 20	29 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	876 15	1,720 10
..	..	..	....	1 20	3 4	..	26 5	32 8	26 5	32 8	543 35	846 0
..	..	33 0	37 8	5 5	11 3	..	60 5	50 8	43 25	33 4	1,126 0	1,646 9
..	..	27 20	27 3	..	..	..	57 30	13 10	57 30	13 10	763 5	558 11
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	8 10	5 0	8 10	5 0	190 0	252 5
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	373 30	640 0
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	388 0	521 4
..	..	4 20	2 0	1 20	3 4	..	..	..	..	..	316 10	425 12
..	..	42 20	31 0	1 0	1 14	..	59 0	80 4	87 30	41 8	481 15	469 14
..	..	19 5	19 0	..	..	..	18 5	9 0	..	..	219 10	366 4
..	..	2 30	6 0	1 20	3 6	..	8 10	9 0	8 10	9 0	670 0	1,024 6
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	5 0	2 4	5 0	2 4	512 35	836 0
..	..	..	....	2 5	2 2	..	6 20	4 8	6 20	4 8	359 5	521 2
..	..	2 0	0 9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140 30	165 9
..	..	20 0	33 0	..	..	..	37 5	34 0	..	..	264 35	398 8
..	..	7 0	3 4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	370 25	620 6
..	..	134 30	181 12	5 5	9 10	..	40 10	55 8	3 20	5 0	694 5	1,072 14
..	..	328 10	392 4	19 15	37 15	2 5	445 30	331 0	254 10	155 2	9,063 5	13,146 5
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	300 10	483 10
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	4 20	2 8	4 20	2 8	396 30	808 4
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	129 0	180 4
..	..	..	....	10 15	7 12	..	123 0	103 14	123 0	103 14	329 15	322 8
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	73 15	41 12	68 10	38 8	346 10	362 10
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	4 25	2 8	4 25	2 8	842 5	1,375 4
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35 5	81 8
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	143 30	251 8
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	17 20	18 0	17 20	18 0	717 25	1,557 8
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	242 35	110 1	242 35	110 1	540 5	590 1
..	..	..	....	10 15	7 12	..	465 35	278 11	460 30	275 7	3,780 15	6,013 1

STATEMENT

No.	Tuppa.	Village.	Last year's Collection.		Area and Assessment brought under the Settlement.		Detail of Cultivation			
							Taken up at Jummabundy.		Thrown up at Jummabundy.	
			Acres.	Rs.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a	A. G.	Rs. a.
29	Kundeechokee.	Kundeechokee	241	511	561 20	982 8	325 20	617 14	40 50	70 8
30		Maha	285	589	498 15	775 8	400 25	619 15	5 50	8 0
31		Mungria	183	397	279 30	472 0	278 0	469 0	1 30	3 0
32		Sheenvero	1,467	3,052	1,636 35	2,828 6	1,438 30	2,474 14	15 90	27 0
33		Futtehpoor	448	789	1,285 20	1,683 2	850 30	1,111 0	324 25	419 10
34		Beyloabad	807	1,965	1,699 35	2,350 15	1,464 15	2,061 15	152 35	163 0
35		Drabee Ludhan	790	1,674	877 35	1,656 7	608 10	1,163 6	..	....
		Total	4,221	8,977	6,839 30	10,748 14	5366 10	8,518 0	539 0	691 2
36	Bahadurpoor.	Chupper Khan Gadahee.	416	1,341	385 25	991 8	347 0	869 9	..	....
37		Futteh Khan Gadahee	181	599	184 0	595 4	167 35	559 12	16 5	35 8
38		Doobee Shadee Shikaree.	491	1,643	628 30	1,430 14	588 5	1,363 15	32 15	31 0
39		Ludho Gadahee	572	1,837	800 0	1,617 12	800 0	1,617 0	..	....
40		Cheejapoor	930	2,930	1,260 5	2,462 2	1,083 0	2,036 2	18 10	19 0
41		Bowan	194	468	383 35	517 2	347 30	470 14	..	....
		Total	2,784	8,818	3,642 15	7,614 10	3,333 30	6,945 0	66 30	85 8
42	Seeta.	Seeta	558	1,321	385 15	336 14	381 10	333 13	..	....
43		Pumbee	49	163	62 5	73 4	62 5	73 4	..	....
44		Khat Kolachee	189	451	574 5	581 6	573 35	581 2	..	....
45		Nasranee	206	622	260 25	337 8	254 0	328 0	..	....
46		Gumbra	135	333	224 10	152 0	24 10	152 0	..	....
		Total	1,137	2,890	1,506 20	1,481 0	1,495 20	1,468 3	..	....
		Grand Total	15,805	39,911	25,183 20	39,835 3	22,324 0	35,660 0	1,314 5	1,598 4

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assessed by Settlement.							Waste Numbers.					
Carried away by River or submerged.		Owners absent.		Seree Grants.		Difference between Assessment of Survey Nos. fixed by Settlement, and that modified by the terms of the Leases.	Measured and assessed by Settlement.		Taken up at Jummabundy.		Total Area and Assessment taken up at Jummabundy.	
A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.
193 35	290 8	..	....	2 5	3 10	..	27 10	30 0	..	..	325 20	617 14
10 25	15 0	81 5	131 0	1 0	1 9	..	32 20	45 8	5 20	7 8	406 5	627 7
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	278 0	469 0
165 30	290 0	7 0	13 0	10 15	17 12	5 12	62 25	84 0	18 20	19 0	1,452 10	2,493 14
65 10	87 8	44 35	65 0	..	..	..	28 25	18 0	19 35	11 0	869 35	1,122 0
21 35	34 0	54 30	82 4	4 10	9 12	..	101 20	84 14	35 0	27 8	1,499 15	2,089 7
237 15	434 8	29 25	52 8	2 25	5 14	0 3	6 15	11 0	6 15	11 0	614 25	1,174 6
694 30	1,151 8	217 15	343 12	22 15	38 9	5 15	258 35	273 6	79 20	76 0	5,445 30	8,594 0
34 20	85 0	..	....	4 5	9 15	..	..	....	..	..	347 0	896 9
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	167 35	559 12
..	..	..	....	8 10	19 13	16 2	43 15	31 14	16 25	14 4	604 30	1,378 3
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	3 0	4 0	3 0	4 0	803 0	1,621 12
..	..	158 35	407 0	..	..	..	232 10	324 8	163 15	236 8	1,246 15	2,272 10
..	..	34 10	43 0	1 35	3 4	..	0 5	0 2	0 5	0 2	347 35	471 0
34 20	85 0	195 5	450 0	14 10	33 0	16 2	278 30	360 8	183 5	254 14	3,516 35	7,199 14
..	..	..	....	4 35	3 1	..	118 30	79 0	118 30	79 0	500 0	412 13
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	15 20	6 12	15 20	6 12	77 25	80 0
..	..	0 10	0 4	..	..	..	75 25	49 10	75 25	49 10	649 20	630 12
..	..	6 25	9 8	..	..	..	15 0	18 8	15 0	18 8	269 0	346 8
..	..	..	....	..	..	..	106 30	54 8	106 30	54 8	331 0	206 8
..	..	6 35	9 12	4 5	3 1	..	331 25	208 6	331 25	208 6	1,827 5	1,676 9
729 10	1,236 8	745 25	1,195 12	70 20	120 5	24 6	1,780 35	1,451 15	1,309 10	969 13	23,633 10	36,629 13

R. R. WALLACE, Major,
Acting Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT showing the result of the Settlement Rates when introduced

No.	Tuppa.	Villages.	Last year's Collection.		Area and Assessment on Cultivation brought under Settlement.		Detail of Cultivation			
							Taken up at Jummabundy.		Thrown up at Jummabundy.	
			Acres.	Rs.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.
1	Bhungur.	Bhungur	210	777	787 25	899 0	85 35	110 8	692 35	778 8
2		Pejaho	1,206	3,635	1,604 20	2,963 14	792 5	1,583 12	24 30	41 8
3		Gutchel	142	475	1,012 10	795 0	23 15	33 0	961 30	744 8
4		Wah Sobdar	320	958	1,416 25	1,579 10	229 25	373 8	951 5	761 10
		Total.....	1,878	5,845	4,821 0	6,237 8	1,131 0	2,100 12	2,630 20	2,326 2
5	Bahadurpoor.	Bahadurpoor	1,381	4,122	1,580 20	2,948 13	493 13	889 5	180 30	229 7
6		Chowbar.....	196	569	213 10	319 11	119 35	190 11	....	....
7		Bego Dero	663	1,974	807 10	1,875 8	419 0	904 0	....	....
		Total.....	2,240	6,665	2,601 0	5,144 0	1,032 8	1,984 0	180 30	229 7
		Grand Total	4,118	12,510	7,422 0	11,381 8	2,163 8	4,084 12	2,811 10	2,555 9

A.—*continued.*

into the 7 Villages of the Kukkur Talooka mentioned below.

assessed by Settlement.							Waste Numbers.					
Submerged at time of Jummabundy.		Owners Absent.		Scree Grants.		Difference between Assessment of Survey Nos. fixed by Settlement, and that modified by the terms of the Leases.	Measured and assessed by Settlement.		Taken up at Jummabundy.		Total Area and Assessment taken up at Jummabundy.	
A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	A. G.	A. G.	Rs. a.
....	....	8 35	10 0	..	..	....	13 35	24 0	..	..	85 35	110 8
707 35	1,196 2	79 30	142 8	..	..	....	30 30	36 8	14 0	11 0	799 25	1,589 12
....	....	27 5	17 8	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	23 15	33 0
167 30	347 8	68 5	97 0	..	..	....	140 10	46 0	..	..	229 25	373 8
875 25	1,543 10	183 35	267 0	..	..	....	184 35	106 8	14 0	11 0	1,138 20	2,106 12
733 25	1,525 8	167 25	298 2	5 7	6 7	....	39 5	12 8	..	..	493 13	889 5
29 25	40 12	63 30	88 4	..	..	....	1 10	0 6	..	..	119 35	190 11
388 10	971 8	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	419 0	90 4
1,151 20	2,537 12	231 15	386 6	5 7	6 7	....	40 15	12 14	..	..	1,032 8	1,984 0
2,027 5	4,081 6	415 10	653 6	5 7	6 7	....	225 10	119 6	14 0	11 0	2,170 28	4,090 12

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Acting Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts.

STATEMENT **A.**—*continued.*

STATEMENT showing the difference between the assessment of land held on lease, and that fixed by the Settlement, in 53 villages of the Kukkur Talooka.

Name of Village.	Survey No.	Settlement Jumma.		Portion of Survey Number held in Lease.			Portion of Survey No. in excess of Lease.		Total of Columns 6 and 9 being Assessment now to be levied on Survey Number.	Difference between Assessment of Survey No. fixed by Settlement and that modified by terms of Lease.	
		Acres.	Amount.	Acres.	Assessment according to Lease.	Assessment according to present Settlement.	Acres.	Amount.		Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		A. G.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a.	A. G.	Rs. a	Rs. a. p.	Rs.	Rs. a. p.
Kukkur	126	2 30	6 0	1 15	0 11 0	3 0	1 15	3·0	3 11 0	..	2 5 0
Drabee Sudhan ..	6	2 15	5 0	1 20	3 0 0	3 1	0 35	1 13	4 13 0	..	0 3 0
Sheen Viro	1	3 15	6 0	3 5	1 8 0	5 6	0 10	0 8	2 0 0	..	4 0 0
Ditto	61	1 20	2 8	1 20	0 12 0	2 8	....	..	0 12 0	..	1 12 0
Doobee Shadee ..	37	4 30	11 8	5 25	5 5 6	11 8	....	..	5 5 6	..	6 2 6
Ditto	71	6 5	13 8	5 30	3 0 0	12 9	0 15	0 13	3 13 0	..	9 11 0
Ditto	88	0 30	1 14	0 5	0 2 0	0 5	0 25	1 8	1 10 0	..	0 4 0
Total....	27	21 25	46 6	19 0	14 6 6	38 5	3 20	7 10	22 0 6	..	24 5 6

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STATEMENT B.

STATEMENT showing the Area held in "Seree," with the Names of Grantees, in 53 Villages of the Kukkur Talooka.

Name of Tuppa.	Name of Deh.	Name of Grantee.	Survey No. from which taken.	No. of Acres.		Value.		Remarks.
				Acrs.	Gts.	Rs.	a.	
Bhungur	Guchul	Wullee Mahomed	..	1	1	..		This Zemindar took up none of his land; his "Seree" is not apportioned to him in the Settlement papers.
Kukkur	Door Mahomed	Purrio wullud Razoo Purrio	59	1	20	3	4	
	Kukkur	Ali Mahomed wullud Kaim Sumeyjo	18	1	20	3	4	
	Kheenro	Allahdad wullud Hyat Khan Purrio	103	1	20	3	6	
	Tugshee	Hazoor wullud Allaruckhia Kalora	43	2	5	2	2	
	Khatree	Chooto wullud Raheemdad Naich	54	5	5	11	3	
	Kudhur	Mirza Khan wullud Allahdad Chandia	17	5	5	9	10	
	Loolja	Joongul wullud Mewo Depur	69	1	0	1	14	
	Khanpoor	Peer Mahomed wullud Kabool Mahomed Kalora	23	1	20	3	4	
Patr	Vee	Yar Mahomed wullud Lall Mahomed Jooneyjo.	13	10	15	7	12	
Kundeechokee	Kundeechokee	Hashim wullud Moosa Mohana	6	2	5	3	10	
	Moha	Jindo wullud Rutto	26	1	0	1	9	
	Sheen Vero	Morad Ali wullud HolKhan Gadahee	11	10	15	17	12	
	Drabee Ludhan	Hyat Khan wullud Punnah Khan Lagaree	5	2	25	5	14	
	Beloabad	Lall Khan wullud Mahomed Khan Chandia	156	6	10	9	12	
	Futtehpoor	Nutho Shah wullud Lall Shah	15	2	20	4	8	
Bahadurpoor	Doobee Shadee	Alla Obhaya wullud Purriul Sodhur	11	4	5	7	3	
	Do. do.	Hot wullud Gazee Sheik	58	4	5	9	15	
	Chuper Khan	Nubbee Bux wullud Hoosein Khan Gadahee	37	4	5	9	15	
	Bahadurpoor	Uttoor Khan wullud Meandad Chandia	141	5	7	6	7	
	Bowsur	Sirdar Khan wullud Mehrab Khan Broorgree.	82	1	35	3	4	
	Chowbar	Gajee Khan Gadahee	..	1	22	..		This Zemindar took up none of his land, as it was submerged; his "Seree," therefore was not apportioned in the Settlement papers.
Seeta	Seeta	Ali Morad Shah wullud Razee Shah	20	4	5	3	1	
		Total	..	80	30	131	4	

R. R. WALLACE, Major,
Acting Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts.

No. 2761 OF 1867.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

FROM THE ACTING COLLECTOR OF SHIKARPOOR,

TO THE COMMISSIONER IN SIND.

Collector's Office, Shikarpoor, 4th November 1867.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward herewith in original Major Wallace's Report, regarding the introduction of the Settlement rates into 53 villages of the Kukkur Talooka.

2. On the whole the results of the Settlement are satisfactory, which I attribute to the great pains and care taken by Major Wallace, whose knowledge of the people, and judicious mode of treatment in all real cases of grievance brought to his notice, is remarkable.

3. I am glad to state that the present year's inundation has been favourable; the Narra has been kept within bounds; and the greater part, if not the whole, of the flooded land mentioned in the Settlement Officer's Report is free of water or will be so shortly.

4. As this year the banks of the Narra will be repaired, and masonry sluices erected at the mouths of all canals, there is but slight probability of any further disastrous flooding in years to come, which if it does occur can be dealt with as a special case.

5. I would therefore recommend that the zemindars on the western bank of the Narra, a great part of whose land was flooded at the time of Jummabundy, be allowed to the 31st of March next to take up their numbers, failing to do which I would enforce the Act in its integrity against them: this I would apply also to the lands mentioned in paragraphs 7 and 8 of Major Wallace's Report.

6. In reference to paragraph 21 of the Settlement Officer's Report, I have directed the Deputy Collector of Mehur to resume the Seree in the Dehs Guchul and Chowbar, as the numbers in which the grants are situated have been thrown up. In the latter Deh I beg

to be allowed to re-grant the same, should the zemindar take up the number prior to the 31st of March next.

7. I beg most strongly to recommend the grants to the three zemindars mentioned in paragraph 23 of Major Wallace's Report, as I am of opinion such an indulgence will have a most beneficial effect in future Settlement operations.

8. The small yearly remissions recommended in paragraphs 25, 26 and 27 I also approve of, and request your sanction thereto.

9. I purpose fixing, with your approval, the water rate at six annas per acre, the same as is now paid throughout the district.*

10. In conclusion I am glad to bring to your notice the cordial way in which Mr. Watson coöperated in the introduction of the Settlement into his district, which tended greatly to its success.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. A. GILLESPIE, Captain,
Acting Collector of Shikarpoor.

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* This para. was subsequently modified in the Commissioner's Office as below, as per Collector's letter No. 3095, dated 6th December 1867 :—

"I purpose fixing, with your approval, the water rate at (2) two annas per rupee of assessment, as now fixed for the settled dehs in the Roree Talooka."

No. 2656 of 1857.

Revenue Department.

Commissioner's Office, Hydrabad, 26th November 1867.

Forwarded to the Survey and Settlement Commissioner for Sind for the favour of his opinion.

W. H. HAVELOCK,
Acting Commissioner in Sind.

No. 1036 of 1867.

Camp, Callian, 20th December 1867.

The Report shows that in 46 out of the 53 villages included under the Settlement Officer's proposals ninety-five per cent. of the assessed land was taken up at the Jummabundy. The zemindars of the other seven villages refused at first to take up any land whatever; they afterwards changed their minds, and up to the date to which the Report extends had entered into agreements for the cultivation of 61 per cent. of the assessed area of their villages.

2. Major Wallace has dwelt at considerable length upon the conduct of the zemindars of the villages last alluded to refusing to have anything to say to the Settlement. In cases of combined opposition of this kind the only point for consideration is whether there is any reason to doubt the fairness of the rates imposed. We have a satisfactory answer to this in the fact of the same rates being most popular in adjoining villages, and that the opposition was factious in the first instance is proved by the subsequent acceptance of the Settlement for great part of the lands of the villages concerned.

3. The area which has not been taken up is composed chiefly of flooded lands, not at present in a culturable state. The zemin-

dars' objections to take up such lands are not unreasonable, and Major Wallace displayed good judgment in conceding to them the option of not taking them up "until they are free from water and in a culturable state."

Para. 8.

4. The Collector proposes to give the zemindars till the 31st of March only to reflect whether they will take up these flooded lands, and in case of failing to do so would then extinguish their right. It appears, however, to the Survey Commissioner that it is advisable to treat a case like this with more consideration, and to allow the lands to remain free of rent charge, and with the zemindars' right reserved, until reported by a regular inspection (to be made by the district establishment) to be in a culturable state.

5. The questions regarding Seree grants are matters of detail affecting the general revenue administration of the district, upon which the Survey Commissioner does not feel himself called upon to express an opinion.

6. There seems to be no objection to the fakeer being allowed a remission of the assessment upon the small garden alluded to, provided it is kept open to the public as a resting-place for people crossing the ferry.

Para. 27.

7. The Collector proposes to fix the Huccaba rate for this district at six annas per acre. But as the plan of calculating this rate upon the assessment has been generally introduced—two annas per rupee being the amount usually set apart for the purpose—the same course might be followed in this case. The Settlement Officer should therefore be requested to adopt this plan, entering the amount in the village register in the manner followed in the other Survey Departments.

8. In conclusion Lieutenant Colonel Francis begs to state that he considers the results of the Settlement to be very satisfactory. Great credit, in his opinion, is due to Major Wallace, not only for the manner in which he has fixed the rates, but for the judgment displayed in his treatment of the zemindars of the district.

J. FRANCIS, Lieut. Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N.D.

No. 124 of 1867.

Revenue Department.

From the Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts,

To the Commissioner in Sind.

Settlement Office, Kotree, 10th December 1867.

Sir,—I have the honour to request sanction for a temporary Huccaba rate of two annas in the rupee for the Kukkur Talooka of the Shikarpoor Collectorate.

2. No rate was proposed by Major Wallace in his Settlement Report for this district, and no permanent rate can be fixed till other talookas watered by the same canals have been settled.

3. The Survey Commissioner has approved the proposed temporary rate, in his letter to me No. 972 of the 3rd instant, extract from which is appended, and the Collector has suggested two annas in the rupee as a suitable rate, in some Sindhee correspondence on the subject.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

M. R. HAIG, Major,
Settlement Officer, R. B. D.

Extract of a letter from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner to the address of the Settlement Officer, Right Bank Survey, No. 972, dated 3rd December 1867.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo, No. 113, relative to the Huccaba rate to be levied in the settled villages of Kukkur Talooka, and in reply beg to inti-

mate that I approve of your suggestion to levy a rate of two annas per rupee of assessment as a temporary measure, pending the settlement of the other talookas which derive their water supply from the same canals as the Kukkur Talooka.

(True extract)

M. R. HAIG, Major,
Settlement Officer, R. B. D.

(True copy)
H. ROZARE,
Assistant Commissioner in Sind.

No. 679 OF 1868.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner's Office, Kurrachee, 2nd April 1868.

Submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. Considering the recent disasters by flood in the Kukkur District, to avert which, however, effectual measures, instituted by the late Commissioner, have since been carried out, the result of this Settlement cannot be regarded as otherwise than satisfactory. In submitting the Settlement papers for six tuppas in the Kukkur Talooka with his No. 1085 dated the 9th of May 1867, Mr. Mansfield placed on record his opinion that the Survey and Settlement should not have been introduced into this talooka until the floods had been controlled. It is satisfactory to learn, from the 3rd paragraph of the Collector's forwarding letter, that an improvement has taken place in this respect during the year 1867-68, and from paragraph 4 that the banks of the Narra would be repaired, and masonry sluices erected at the mouths of all the canals.

3. When the recusant zemindars of the seven villages lying on the western bank of the Narra perceive the improvement which has taken place, and which it is hoped will continue, they will, no doubt, gladly take up the numbers which they have thrown up on account of the flood. The Commissioner agrees with Colonel Francis in thinking that Major Wallace displayed good judgment in conceding to these zemindars the option of not taking up land until it is free from water and in a culturable state.

4. The result of the Settlement as shown in Major Wallace's 18th paragraph is—

Acres.	G.		Rs.	a.	p.
25,743	38 taken up	Revenue	40,720	9	0
4,125	15 not taken up	Revenue	4,153	13	0

5. The subjects alluded to in paragraphs 21 and 23 will be considered departmentally.

6. The small number (127,—1 acre 15 goontas) assessed at Rs. 2-8-0 may be continued free to the fakeer on condition that he continues to shelter passengers crossing the ferry.

7. The Collector will be directed to calcutate Huccaba at the rate of two annas per rupee, as recommended by the Survey Commissioner and Settlement Officer, and concurred in by the Collector in a late communication.

8. The one anna cess for Local Funds has been included in the Survey Settlement papers, and will be imposed under Act VIII. of 1865.

9. The Commissioner concurs in the commendation bestowed on Major Wallace by the Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

10. It is requested that fifteen copies of the correspondence may be furnished as soon as it is printed.

W. H. HAVELOCK,
Commissioner in Sind.

Revenue Survey and Assessment.

No. 2077.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 27th May 1868.

Memorandum from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 679, dated 2nd April 1868—Submitting for sanction a letter from the Collector of Shikarpoor, with its accompanying Report by the Settlement Officer, Right Bank Districts, relative to the result of the Settlement rates introduced into 53 villages of the Kukkur Talooka of that collectorate, together with a memorandum from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner N. D., containing his opinion regarding the above Settlement.

RESOLUTION.—The Settlement appears to have been carried on under some difficulty, owing to the recent disasters by flood in the Kukkur District.

2. In 46 out of the 53 villages included under the Settlement Officer's proposals, 95 per cent. of the assessed land was taken up at the Jummabundy, and the zemindars of the remaining 7 villages have since entered into agreement for the cultivation of 61 per cent. of the assessed area of their villages. The area which has not been taken, it is reported, is chiefly composed of flooded lands not in a culturable state.

3. His Excellency in Council approves of the zemindars being allowed the option of not taking up the inundated land until free from water and in a culturable state.

4. The result of the Settlement in the 53 villages is reported to be as follows :—

Acres 25,743 g. 38 taken up ; Revenue Rs. 40,720-9-0.

5. His Excellency the Governor in Council views this result with great satisfaction.

6. The area of land which the zemindars refuse at present to take up is stated to be acres 4,125 g. 15, and the revenue therefrom

Rs. 4,153-13-0. Government concur in the opinion expressed in Colonel Francis' 4th paragraph, that this land should be allowed to remain free of rent charge, and with the zemindars' rights reserved, until reported, after a regular inspection (to be made by the district establishment), to be in a culturable state.

7. His Excellency in Council sanctions the small area of land measuring 1 acre and 15 goontas, and assessed at Rs. 2-8-0, being continued free to the fakeer who holds it, on condition that it is kept open to the public as a resting-place for people crossing the ferry.

8. The instructions which have been issued for calculating the Huccaba at the rate of two annas per rupee are approved.

9. His Excellency in Council concurs in the commendation bestowed on Major Wallace by Colonel Francis and the Commissioner.

10. The whole correspondence should be printed as a Selection from the Government Records.

M. J. SHAW STEWART,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

To

The COMMISSIONER IN SIND.

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